

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appln. No. : 10/533,853  
Applicant : Tsuyoshi Okada et al.  
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Title : IMAGING DEVICE AND AN IMAGING METHOD

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**AMENDMENT "A"**

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2006 (Paper No.20061108). The three-month period for responding to the Office Action expires on February 20, 2007.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.